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member extending in a perpendicular direction away from an arm of said sleeve toward said core.

Please add the following new claims.

8. (New) A fuel injection valve for opening and closing a needle valve by driving an armature with a solenoid comprising:

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means for damping a change of fuel pressure caused by valve bounce when the needle is closed, said means being an elastic member disposed at a position at which said means faces and contacts a fuel passage located at an upstream side with respect to an end face of said armature located on a side of a nozzle opening side.

9. (New) A fuel injection valve for opening and closing a needle valve by driving an armature with a solenoid, comprising:

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means for damping a change of fuel pressure caused by valve bounce when the needle is closed, said means being an elastic member disposed at a position at which said means faces and contacts a fuel passage located at an upstream side with respect to an end face on a nozzle opening side of said armature.